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**Transmittal of Patent Application - Rule 1.53(b)**

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 Title: METHODS OF IMPROVING SKIN QUALITY

- Enclosed is the above-identified new patent application. It includes:  
22 Pages of Application (including specification, claims and abstract)  
11 Number of Claims (consisting of 3 pgs.)  
0 Sheets of Drawings
- This application claims priority to Provisional Application No. 60/454,245, filed March 13, 2003.
- Enclosed is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. (2 pgs.)
- Enclosed is an executed Assignment to 3M Innovative Properties Company and a completed Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet. (Cover plus 2 pgs.)
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